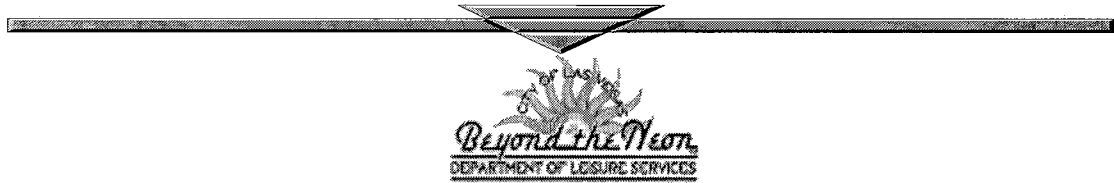


# PROCLAMATION



## *July Is Recreation and Parks Month*

**WHEREAS;** public parks and recreation systems are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for millions of residents in communities around the world through recreation programming, leisure activities, and conservation efforts; and

**WHEREAS;** parks, recreation activities, and leisure experiences provide opportunities for young people to live, grow and develop into contributing members of society; create lifelines and continuous life experiences for older members of the community; generate opportunities for people to come together and experience a sense of community; and

**WHEREAS;** as we observe Recreation and Parks Month, we recognize the vital contributions of employees and volunteers in parks and recreation facilities. These dedicated supporters keep public parks clean and safe for visitors, organize youth activities, provide educational programming, advocate for more open space and better trails; and ensure that parks and recreation facilities are safe and accessible places for all citizens to enjoy; and

**WHEREAS;** we call upon park and recreation supporters to join us in recognizing the importance of our nation's parks and recreation facilities and to learn more about how to support the places that bring our communities a higher quality of life, safer places to play, and healthy alternatives through recreation programming for everyone; and

**WHEREAS;** during Recreation and Parks Month, we invite all citizens to enjoy what their community has to offer by taking part in their favorites sports, visiting the outdoors, spending time with family and friends or just relaxing; and

**THEREFORE,** we, the undersigned Mayor and City Council for the City of Las Vegas, do hereby take great pride in proclaiming the month of July 2006 to be:

*Recreation and Parks Month*

in the City of Las Vegas